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Cole
Edward

STATE Virginia
COUNTY Lee County

TOWNSHIP OR OTHER DIVISION OF COUNTY Independent City of Smithfield

NAME OF INSTITUTION None

NAME OF INCORPORATED PLACE Smithfield

ENUMERATED BY ME ON THE 26 DAY OF July 1920.

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Cole
Son of Dudley

Dec'd of small pox -
Mr. Dudley Digges.
2-4 - 1768.

Diggs.

Col. Cole Digges = Elizabeth dau of Dr. Henry
Power of York Co. Ia (will d. 9-26-1692) + his wife
Mary, dau of Rev Edw. Folliott of Hamp'm Par.
York Co., (English Power Pedigree).
U.H.M. 33-25-

Diggs. Col. of Belfield, York Co. born
1692, d. 1744 was son of Dudley Diggles, Member
of the Council, gr. son of Edw. Diggles Gov. of Ia
+ gr. gr. son of Sir Dudley Diggles of the Rolls
Temp. Chas I. Col. Diggles M. H. of Ia + of Co.
In 1719. He = Eliza. dau of Dr. Henry
Power of York Co
U.H.M. vol. 4 - 168.

Cole
Son of Dudley

Digges Cole - of Belfield, York Co - b 1692
died in 1744. He was son of Dudley Digges
member of the Council, gr-son of Edw. Digges
Gen of Rn & gr- grand son of Sir Dudley
Digges of Chitham Rnd Eng. Master of
the Rolls. He was app. to the Council
in 1719 & by reason of long service rose to
be president of that body. On 9-16-1728 he
was com. Lt. + Com-in-Chief of the G.S. of
Ely & C, Warwick & York = Ely - date 7
An. Henry Power of York Co.

1. Edward of Belfield - d. 3-22-1769. = Aug 9,
1730 Anne daughter of the 1st Nath. Mar.
Exg of the Council 2. Wm of Newbigg -
Francis son of Anthony Robins of York Co.
3. Dudley of York & Wm by d. 6-3-1740
aged 61. & many children, 2
Ely a date of Ralph Wormeley of Royston.
4. Mary (1717-1744) = Nath. Francis of
Barden. 3. Scranney = Aug 23, 1739
Beny Harrison of Wakefield
No. H. May. 11 32 - 47

Diggs & W & M. 1-80-89 - 140-155.
208-214 Cf. of Va. Hist Soc. XI
107-109 - for Tomlinson.

Edward

Dec. 5. Sothe having just received these
3 pages.

Dear Mrs. Hunter:

Although I have examined
not only your own, but other papers
that have been accepted by certain
ancestral societies in Am. Tending to
show that Edward Digges of Va was
a son of Sir Dudley Diggs (as indeed
he probably was) I have not been able
to find in any Old World records
any statement showing that Sir Dudley
Diggs had such a son. His named
sons were Thos, John & Dudley.

The gravestone of Edward Digges
lists him as a "Sonne of Sir Dudley
Digges of Chelham in Kent," which is
pretty good evidence although of course
He did not use that gravestone. It
seems to me that there must be in
existence somewhere, some documentary
evidence (Old World records) to connect
Edw Digges to Sir Dudley & I have
been unable to find it however.

V. T. y.
a.s.m. mca.

FR FRONT SIDE
-FRONT-

Edward

Adams, Stratton McAllister
206. Raymond St., Chevy Chase, Md.

To the memory of Edw. Diggles Esq.
Son of Sir Dudley D., of Chesham in
Kent Knight & Baronet, Master of the
Bulls in the reign of King chas. the 1st. He
departed this life the 15th of March 1675 in
the 55th year of his age, one of his
Maj. Council for the Cst. of R. He had
seven sonnes & 7 daies by the lady
of Eliza his wife, who of her conjugal
affection hath dedicated to him this Mem.

M. G. Ch - ref 1 - 244

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BACK SIDE
-REVERSE-

Matthew

Lynn & Anne Digges

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1686

W+M- 14 - p 165-

ROYAL LINEAGE
of
CHARLOTTE GALE HUNTER

Mrs. Paul P. Hunter,
1207 Second St., S. W.
Roanoke, Virginia.

Genealogist.

Royal Lineage
of

Charlotte Gale Hunter.
(Mrs. Paul P. Hunter
1207 Second St., S. W.
Roanoke, Virginia.)

Proven:

The Royal Families
England, Scotland and Wales.
John Burke, Esq.
&
John Bernard Burke, Esq.
Volume I (and II)
London.
E. Churton, 26- Hollis St.
1848

Royal Lineage
by Foster
1887

Kent Pedigrees
by Berry.
1830

The Scots Peerage
by Sir James Balfour Paul
1904.

A Genealogical and Heraldic History
of
The Extinct and Dormant Baronetcies of England
by John Burke and John Bernard Burke,
London, 1838

American Members of the Inns of Court
by
E. Alfred Jones, M. A.
London, 1924.

Royal Lineage

Mrs. Paul P. Hunter,
1207 Second St., S. W.
Roanoke, Virginia.

1. Edward I., King of England, ob 1307, married Eleanor, daughter of Ferdinand III, King of Castile and Leon, Comtesse de Pouthieue, ob 1290, by whom he had a son, (Edward a descendant of many Kings, including, William the Conqueror, Alfred the Great and Charlemange.)
2. Edward II., King of England, murdered 1326, who married Eleanor, daughter of Philip IV. (le Bel), King of France, by whom he had a son Edward III.

(Signature)
Proof:

The Royal Families
of
England, Scotland and Wales
by Burke. 1848.
Volume I. Pedigree I.

3. Edward III. King of England, Earl of Chester, Duke of Aquitaine, Count of Ponthieu and Montevull, 1325, crowned at Westminister in his father's lifetime, 1st of February 1327; defeated the Scots at Bannockburn, 1314. In 1339, he assumed the style of King of France and England and Lord of Ireland. He married Philippa, daughter of Guillaume I., Comte d'Holland and his wife Jeanne, who was daughter of Charles de France, Comte de Valois, by whom he had a son, *he*
4. John of Gaunt, born at Ghent in Flanders, 24 June 1342, created Duke of Lancaster, November 13, 1362., married 3rd. Catherine Roet (or Roet), daughter of Sir Payn Roet and widow of Sir Otis Sympson, by whom he had a daughter,
5. Joan, who married Sir Ralph Neville, Earl of Westmoreland, K. G. by whom she had,
6. Sir Edward Neville, K. G., who married Elizabeth daughter and heir of Richard Beauchamp, Earl of Worcester and Lord Bergavenny, by whom he had,

7. Sir George Neville, 2nd. Lord Bergavenny, K. B., who married Margaret Fenne, daughter of Sir Hugh Fenne, by whom he had,
8. Sir George Neville, 3rd. Lord Bergavveny, K. B. 4 July 1483, will dated 4 June 1535, married Mary daughter of Edward de Stafford, 3rd Earl of Buckingham by whom he had Ursula.
- Proof:
Royal Lineages
by
Foster
1887.
pages 3 to 6.
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9. Lady Ursula, the 5th daughter of George Neville, married Sir Arham St. Leger of Ulcomb, Sheriff. Killed in Ireland in 1599, by whom she had,
10. Anne St. Leger, married Thomas Diggs (son of Leonard Diggs of Wotton Court, by whom she had a son, (She died in 1638, aged 81.

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11. Sir Dudley Digges, of Chilham, Master of the Rolls, d. 18 March 1638, buried by Chulham Church, married Mary, daughter of Sir Thomas Kempe of Clantigh, by whom he had Edward,

Proof: Kent Pedigrees

Berry
1830
page 287.

Kent Visitations

1619. page 64. (Since Edward Digges' tombstone states he was born in 1620, it is obvious he could not have appeared in this list of his father's children.)

A Genealogical and Heraldic History
of the
Extinct and Dormant Baronetcies of England
by John Burke
& John Bernard Burke,
London 1838.

Page 160. Diggs of Chilham Castle.
"Sir Dudley Digges, knt. an eminent lawyer

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and master of the rolls, living in 1619,
who purchased the estate of Chilham in Kent.
He married Mary, youngest daughter and co-
heiress of Sir Thomas Kempe, knt of Olantigh,
by which lady he acquired Chilham Castle,
and had with other issue:

Thomas his heir
John of Faversham
Dudley of All Souls College
Edward of Virginia
Ann, married Anthony Hammond, etc."

American Members of the Inns of Court

by
E. Alfred Jones, M. A.
London, 1924.

Page 63. " EDWARD DIGGES, SON OF SIR DUDLEY DIGGES (Master of the Rolls in the Reign of Charles I., a member of the Virginia Company and a Commissioner for that Colony) was born in 1620 and entered Gray's Inn, May 19, 1637. Thirteen years later he sailed for Virginia and settled on a plantation called 'Belfield' on York River. In 1654, he was appointed a member of his Majesty's Council for the Colony and in the following year he received the coveted appointment of Governor of Virginia, an office which he held until March, 1657/8, when he was sent to England as agent for the Colony."

(This publication well documented with proof of statements.)

Hasted's Kent, vol iii, p. 130.

Sir Dudley Digges, died 13 March 1638, buried in the Church of Chilham, left issue eight sons and three daughters

The Genesis of the United States

by

Alexander Brown. 1891

vol. ii, page 879

"Sir Dudley Digges married Mary Kempe, daughter of Sir Thomas-left issue eight sons and three daughters, Thomas eldest son and heir-Edward, another son, settled in Virginia, was a member of the council, governor of the colony in 1656, died March 15, 1675, and was buried in the old churchyard at 'Belfield' about eight miles from Williamsburg on the (James)(?) River."

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15. Edward Digges, born in England in 1620, came to Virginia in 1650, where he became one of its most prominent men, serving among other offices as a member of the Council, and as Governor in 1655-58. He married Elizabeth Bray (or Page)

Proofs: Tombstone record. Virginia Historical Society Papers, XI, p. 107.

"To the memory of Edward Digges, Esquire, sonne of Sir Dudley Digges of Chilham, in Kent, Knight and Baronett, Master of the Rolls in the reign of King Charles 1st he departed this life the 15th of March 1675, in the 55th year of his age, one of his Majesty's Councill for this Colony of Virginia ***"

He had issue six sonnes and seven daughters by the body of Elizabeth his wife, who of her conjugal affection hath dedicated to him this memorial."

Heades, "Old Churches and Families of Virginia, vol. I, p. 244-245.

Neill's, "Virginia Carolorum, p. 237, 242, 248, 249, 292, 383.

William and Mary Quarterly, 1st Series, vol. I, p. 80 and 140.

Journals of the House of Burgesses, 1659/60-1693, p. 57.

Edith Robert Ramsburgh, ap. cit., p. 127
York County Records, Deeds, Orders and Wills, no. 9, p. 161.

The "Arms" cut upon the tombstone correspond with those borne by the Digges of Chilham, Kent.

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16. Dudley Digges born about 1665, died in 1708, married Susanna the daughter of William Cole.

Proof:

William and Mary Quarterly, 1st Series Vol. I, p. 80-88, p. 142.

17. Cole Digges born in 1692, died 1744, married Elizabeth daughter of Dr. Henry Powers of Yorktown, had
Proof:
D&T (William and Mary Quarterly, Vol. 1,
page 144.
18. Dudley Digges born in 1729, died 1790, married Martha Armistead, daughter of Henry Armistead and Martha Burwell.
Proof:
D&T (William and Mary Quarterly,
Vol. VI, page 165.
Virginia Historical Magazine,
Vol. XVII, page 281
19. Martha Digges, married in 1780 Major Nathaniel Burwell, who died in 1802, had
Proof:
D&T (William and Mary Quarterly,
Vol. XII, page 27
William and Mary Quarterly,
Vol. XVIII, page 115.
20. Frances Shacker Burwell, who married Lewis Harvey, had
Proof:
D&T (Attached certified records.
Burwell Family, by J. H. Burwell, p. 6, 8, 9, 20
(his last reference taken from Mrs. Hunter's
Dame's Papers, not examined by me.)
21. Isabella Graham Harvey, who married Sparrell F. Simmons, had
Proof:
D&T (Attached certified records.
22. Elizabeth Simmons, married Dr. Joseph Addington Gale, had
Proof:
D&T (Attached certified records.
23. Charlotte Dryden Gale, married Paul Perry Hunter
Proof:
D&T (Attached certified records.

The aforesaid line, &c, or parts of it have been accepted
by the following societies:

Colonial Dames in the State of Virginia

Daughters of the Barons of Runnenede.

Daughters of the American Colonists.

Daughters of the American Revolution.

Royal Lineage

Mrs. Paul P. Hunter,
1207 Second St., S. W.
Roanoke, Virginia.

- I. EDWARD I., King of England, 1274-1307 (a descendant of many kings, including William the Conqueror, Alfred the Great and Charlemagne) by his wife Elenor, daughter of Ferdinand III, King of Castile, had a daughter,
- 2I. Princess Joan of Acres, married Gilbert de Clare, Earl of Hertford, by whom she had a daughter,
3. Margaret de Clare, married Hugh de Audley, eventually Earl of Gloucester, by whom she had a daughter,
4. Margaret de Audley married Ralph, Lord Stafford, by whom she had a son,
5. Hugh, Earl of Stafford, married Philippa, daughter of Thomas Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick, by whom she had a son,
6. Edmund, Earl of Stafford, married Anne, daughter of Thomas Plantagenet, (son of Edward III, King of England) by whom he had a son,
7. Humphrey, Earl of Stafford, married Anne, daughter of Ralph Nevill, Earl of Estmoreland, (by Joan de Beaufort, (dau. of John, son of King Edward III), by whom he had a son,
8. Humphrey, Earl of Stafford married Margaret, daughter of Edmund Bufort, (son of John, son of John, son of King Edward III, by whom he had a son)
9. Henry de Stafford, Duke of Buckingham, married Katherine, daughter of Richard Midville, Earl Rivers, by whom he had a son,

10. Edward de Stafford, Duke of Buckingham, married Alianore, daughter of Henry Earl of Northumberland, by whom he had a daughter,

Proof of above generations:

The Royal Families
England, Scotland and Wales.
John Burke, Esq.
& John Bernard Burk, Esq.
Volume
E. Churton, 26-Hollis St.
1848
(The above lineage copied from records
submitted by Dr. McAllister to
Mrs. Paul P. Hunter, giving as refer-
ence, Peerages, with no pagination.
Copied by undersigned.)

11. Mary Stafford married George Nevill, Lord Bergavenny,
(Sir George Neville, 3rd. Lord Bergavenny, K. B., 4 July
1483, will dated 4 June 1535 married 3rd. Mary daughter of
Edward de Stafford, 3rd Duke of Buckingham, by whom he
had a daughter, Ursula.)

Proof:

Royal Lineage, I.
by
Foster.
1887.
p. 3 to 6.

12. Ursula Neville, daughter of George Neville, Lord Abergavenny
married Sir Warham St. Leger, of Ulcombe, (Sheriff, 2nd.
killed in Ireland in 1599), by whom she had a daughter,
Anne St Leger married Thomas Diggs

13. Anne St. Leger married Thomas Diggs)son of Leonard Diggs
of Wotton Court) by whom she had a son, (she died in 1638,
aged 81.)

14. Sir Dudley Digges, of Chilham, Master of the Rolls, d. 18
March, 1638, by Chilham Church, married Mary daughter of
Sir Thomas Kempe of Clantigh, by whom he had Thomas, John
Dudley, Anne, Elizabeth and other children not names, by
whom he had,

Kent Pedigrees,
by Berry, 1830. page 20tto22z.

Richmond, Va., Dec 14th, 1938.

Mrs Lewis L. Chapman,
Smithfield, Va.

Dear Mrs Chapman:

Sorry so long getting these memos to you, but can't get very much done in a lunch hour.

Have been unable, thus far, to find any mention of Edward Digges, Governor &c., son of Sir Dudley, in English publications relating the name of his father, but find his brother Thomas had a son also named Edward.

The enclosed notes may be of interest, Dudley Digges, son of Sir Dudley died in 1643 and his will was probated in P.C.C., London, he may make some mention of his brother Edward - Library and Hist Soc. do not have P.C.C. index for 1638, date of Sir Dudley's death, therefore I do not know whether he left a will.

Sir Dudley is buried at Chilham Church, Kent., and the parish registers there commence in 1558 - why not have the present rector make a search of the register for the birth of Edward, son of Sir Dudley?

Virginia publications say Edward was the fourth son of Sir Dudley, see notes.

An investigation of the register or copies of the wills of Sir Dudley or Dudley (d 1643) seem to be the only way out, provided proof from an English source is required.

Miss Doris E Eldred, 12 Fernleigh Road, Winchmore Hill, London, N. 21, does work there for Mrs Hiden and may copy the wills for you.

Will gladly furnish you names of other investigators in England if desired.

Regret very much I could not be of more assistance.

As ever, yours,

Floyd Sydnor
Floyd Sydnor.

- * The Genealogist's Guide (Being a General Search through Genealogical, Topographical, and Biographical works, family histories, peerage claims etc.)
By: George W. Marshall, LL.D. - 2nd edition, London, 1885.

DIGGES:-

- Brake's Extinct Baronetcies. (State Library had a copy, but now lost.)
Visitation of Wiltshire, ed by G.W.Marshall, 20.
** Hasted's Kent, ii 513; iii 130, 756.
** Berry's Kent Genealogies, 143.
Surry Archaeological Collections, i.
Visitatio, Comitatus Wiltoniae, 1623, printed by Sir T. Phillips.

DYGGS:-

- ** Hasted's Kent, ii 513.

DIGS:-

- ** Berry's Kent Genealogies, 142.

** Examined at the Virginia Historical Soc., both publications afford very fine accounts of the family, but did not avail the desired information. - F.W.S.

* Owned by F.W.S., most libraries have a copy.

* An Index to Printed Pedigrees, contained in County and Local Histories, the Heralds' Visitations, and in the most important genealogical collections. By Charles Bridger, London, 1867.

(Gives following references)

** County Genealogies. Pedigrees of the Families of Kent. By Wm Berry, London, 1830. Folio.

Dig or Digges, 142.

Genealogical and Heraldic Memoranda relating to the County of Surry. Published with the Surry Archaeological Collections, by the Surry Archaeological Society. 8vo. At the end of each volume but not paged.

Digges of Reigate, i.

Visitatio Heraldica Comitatus Wiltoniae, Ann. 1623. Typis Medii Montanis, 1828. Foolscap folio, not paged. Privately printed by Sir Thomas Phillips, Bart.

Diggs.

** Examined at the Va Historical Soc.

* Owned by F.W.S., most libraries have a copy.

Athenae Oxonienses, Anthony Wood. (Va State Lib CO2 W873 A72)

Vol ii column 634, vol iii column 63.

Sir Dudley Digges buried in Chilham Church yard, Kent - a monument
erected by him sometime prior to his death, relates his genealogy from time
of K. Henry iii, &c., his moth r Ann buried here in 1636 age 81. (Very fine
articles, worth reading.)

Did she leave a will
to another grandson
Edward?

Key to the Ancient Parish Registers of England and Wales, by Arthur Meredith Burke
(Va State Lib. CS433 B89)

Parish Chilham, County Kent, Date of Earliest entry in Parish Register 1558.

"A List of Monumental Brasses in the British Isles" by Mill Stephen, B.A., F.S.A.,
London, 1926. (Va Hist. Society)

Digges items, but of no assistance.

Hasted's Kent, vol iii, p 130.

(Abstract)

Sir Dudley Diggs, died 18 March 1638, buried in the Church of Chilham, left issue eight sons and three daughters. Eldest son Thomas (d 1687.) He (Thomas) left six sons and six daughters, Sir Maurice Digges, (Baron); Dudley, John and Thomas, the latter three died young, Edward was a Colonel in the Army, but died without issue in his father's lifetime.

Berry's Kent.

Page 143 - Long pedigree of the Digges family.

Sir Dudley Diggs, issue:

Thomas, eldest son,

John, 2nd son

Dudley, 3rd son

Anne (m) Anthony Hammond

Elizabeth & other children.

Alumni Cantabrigienses, by John & J.A. Venn, Cambridge, at the University Press,
1927. (Va State Library, LF 124 A2 1900a.)

Vol ii, p 42.

DIGGES, Dudley, M.A. 1638, (Incorp from Oxford) 3rd s. of Sir Dudley, of
Chilham Kent, Knt., Master of the Rolls. Matric from University College, Oxford,
June 18, 1630, age 16, B.A. 1631-2, M.A. 1635, Fellow of All Souls, 1632; Adm.
at Greys Inn, 1641. Political writer. Died at Oxford, Oct 1, 1643. Buried in
all Soul's Chapel. Will (P.C.C.) 1647. (A1. Oxon; D.N.B; Vis of Kent 1619.)

Memo:

In event the will of Sir Dudley, 1638, can not be had perhaps the
foregoing may make some mention of brother Edward. - FWS.

The following Digges names appear, with much data concerning each.

Sir Dudley Digges - matric. 1600.

Dudley	(son of Sir Dudley
Dudley	" " Thomas
Edward	" " E. Digges of Chilham.
Leonard	2nd son of James
Leonard	son of Leonard
Leonard	son of Thomas
Maurice	son of Thomas
Richard	son of John of Pirton, Wilts.
Thomas	son of Leonard
Thomas	1st son of Dudley of Chilham, Kent, Matric 1626.
Thomas	son of Leonard
William	of Wilts, gent.

The Genesis of the United States, Alexander Brown (1891)

Vol ii, p 879.

Sir Dudley Digges (m) Mary Kempe, dau Sir Thomas - left issue 8 sons, 3 daus, Thomas eldest son and heir. - "EDWARD, another son, settled in Va., was a member of the council, governor of the colony in 1656, died March 15, 1676, and was buried in the old churchyard at Bellfield about eight miles from Williamsburg on James River."

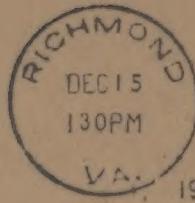
The Cradle of the Republic - Lyon G. Tyler, LL. D. (1906)

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"March 31, 1655, Edward Digges, of "Bellfield," on York River, fourth son of Sir Dudley Digges, master of the rolls to King Charles I, succeeded Bennett as Governor," etc.

Mrs. Stanard's First Century also has a good item.

FROM F.W.Sydnor
3320 North Ave.,
Richmond, Va.



POSTAGE VERIFIED
at Richmond, Va.

MRS LEWIS L. CHAPMAN,

SMITHFIELD, Va.

Mrs Chapman:

12-15-38.

Well, here seems to be the desired proof from two English publications - tell the gentleman to turn up his toes.

Syd.

American Members of the Inns of Court - By E. Alfred Jones, M.A.
London, 1924. (Va Hist. Society Library)

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"EDWARD DIGGES SON OF SIR DUDLEY DIGGES (Master of the Rolls in the reign of Charles I, a member of the Virginia Company and a Commissioner for that Colony) was born in 1620 and entered Grays Inn, May 19, 1637. Thirteen years later he sailed for Virginia and settled on a plantation called "Belfield" on York River. In 1654 he was appointed a member of His Majesty's Council for the Colony and in the following year he received the coveted appointment of Governor of Virginia, an office which he held until March, 1657/8, when he was sent to England as agent for the Colony."

(Additional information here follows, but not copied.)

This publication well documented with proof of statements.

Sir Dudley Digges, b. 1583, &c. His fourth son was Edward, who settled in Virginia.

A Genealogical and Heraldic History of the Extinct and Dormant Baronetcies of England. By John Burke & John Bernard Burke, London, 1838. (Va Hist. Society Library.)

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Diggs of Chilham Castle.

Lineage

(here follows long pedigree)

"Sir Dudley Digges, knt. an eminent lawyer and master of the rolls, living in 1619, who purchased the estate of Chilham in Kent. He m. Mary, youngest daughter and co-heir of Sir Thomas Kempe, knt. of Olanthigh, by which lady he acquired Chilham Castle, and had, with other issue:

Thomas, his heir

John, of Faversham

Dudley, fellow of All Souls College

EDWARD, of VIRGINIA in 1684.

Ann, m. Anthony Hammond, esqr., of St. Alban's Court, in Kent, and had four sons." &c.



Remarks: The aforesaid lineage, or parts of it have been accepted by
the following societies:

Colonial Dames in the State of Virginia
Daughters of the Barons of Runnemede
Daughters of the American Colonists
Daughters of the American Revolution